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SI. No.	Name of the Distributor	Waiting List (as on 1.2.90)
(1)	( <i>2</i> )	(3)
197.	Smriti Gas Service	4351
198.	Amit Gas Agency	1614
199.	Bawana Gas Service	3532
200.	Devi Dayal Enterprises	500
		4,87,501

[English]

### **Pepper Processing Industry**

2184. SHRI PALAI K.M. MATHEW: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to start a Pepper processing industry; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and when it is likely to be approved?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI AJIT SINGH). (a) No proposal has been received in the Department of Industrial Development for setting up pepper processing industry during the calendar years 1987 to 1989.

(b) Does not arise in view of reply to part (a) above.

### Haits on Howrah-Kharagpur Section

2185. SHRI SATYAGOPAL MISRA: Will THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to

open any new stations/passenger halts on Howrah-Kharagpur section of the South Eastern Railway during 1990-91; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

[Translation]

### Nangal-Talwara Railway Line

2186. PROF. PREM KUMAR DHU-MAL: Will THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the total length of Nangal-Talwara rail line constructed so far;

(b) when it is likely to be completed; and

(c) the steps proposed to be taken for its expeditious completion?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) 17 km.

(b) and (c). Construction of this Railway

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line beyond Una will depend upon the handing over of the land by the State Government, and the availability of adequate funds under 'New Lines' in the coming years.

[English]

## **Conversion of Miraj-Vasco Section**

2187. PROF. GOPALRAO MAYEKAR: Will THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is proposed to convert the Miraj-Vasco section of the metre gauge railway line into broad gauge in view of the difficulties being faced by the public;

- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) and (c). The survey conducted for conversion of Miraj-Bangalore and connected branch lines from MG to BG has recently been updated. Due to acute constraint of resources and heavy - commitments in hand there is no proposal at present to take up this work.

# [Translation]

# Passengers amenities at Bilaspur Air Strip in Madhya Pradesh

2188. SHRI RESHAM LAL JANGDE: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the details of amenities provided to the passengers at Bilaspur air-strip in Madhya Pradesh;

(b) whether the facilities of telephone, refreshment room and public transportation are available at the aforesaid air-strip; (c) if not, when these facilities are likely to be provided there;

(d) the authority responsible for the management of the said air-strip; and

(e) whether Government propose to develop the said air-strip into a regular airport and the time by which Bilaspur air-strip is proposed to be included in the air-map of India?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY AND MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MOHAMMAD KHAN): (a) A small terminal building is available at Bilaspur airport.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) and (d). An air strip at Bilaspur aerodrome is maintained by the Government of Madhya Pradesh.

(e) National Airports Authority has no proposal at present to develop Bilaspur, into a regular aerodrome.

### **Setting up of Cement Plants**

2189. SHRI JORAWAR RAM: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Union Government had received any proposal to set up a cement factory in Bhavnathpur in district Palamu, Bihar;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether Government have issued or propose to issue a letter of intent for it?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI AJIT SINGH): (a) to (c). M/s. Bihar State Industrial Development Corporation who have been granted a letter of intent in March, 1989 for the establishment of a 10 LTPA slag cement plant at Bokaro in Dhanbad District